

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

No. 09-2754

IN RE: CAZZIE L. WILLIAMS,
Petitioner

On a Petition for Writ of Mandamus from the
United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
(Related to Civ. No. 08-cv-01242)

Submitted Pursuant to Rule 21, Fed. R. App. P.
July 31, 2009
Before: SCIRICA, Chief Judge, WEIS and GARTH, Circuit Judges
(Opinion filed: August 18, 2009)

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

Pro se petitioner Cazzie L. Williams seeks a writ of mandamus to compel the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey to rule upon his motion to vacate, set aside, or correct his sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255.

Williams filed his § 2255 motion on March 12, 2008. The government filed its answer on July 4, 2008, and Williams filed his rebuttal on July 15, 2008. On May 22,

2009, when fourteen months had gone by without any action in his case, Williams filed the present petition for writ of mandamus seeking to compel the District Court to rule on his § 2255 motion.

By order entered on July 22, 2009, the District Court denied Williams's § 2255 motion. Because Williams has now received the relief he sought in filing his mandamus petition — namely, a ruling on his § 2255 motion — we will deny his mandamus petition as moot.